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PART 153  
LONG TERM CARE REIMBURSEMENT CHANGES

## Section

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for a maximum of 150 days; amended at 29 Ill. Reg. 6979, effective May 1, 2005; amended at 29 Ill. Reg. 12452, effective August 1, 2005; emergency amendment at 30 Ill. Reg. 616, effective January 1, 2006, for a maximum of 150 days; emergency amendment modified pursuant to Joint Committee on Administrative Rules Objection at 30 Ill. Reg. 7817, effective April 7, 2006, for the remainder of the maximum 150 days; amended at 30 Ill. Reg. 10417, effective May 26, 2006; emergency amendment at 30 Ill. Reg. 11853, effective July 1, 2006, for a maximum of 150 days; emergency expired November 27, 2006; amended at 30 Ill. Reg. 14315, effective August 18, 2006; emergency amendment at 30 Ill. Reg. 18779, effective November 28, 2006, for a maximum of 150 days; amended at 31 Ill. Reg. 6954, effective April 26, 2007; emergency amendment at 32 Ill. Reg. 535, effective January 1, 2008, for a maximum of 150 days; emergency amendment at 32 Ill. Reg. 4105, effective March 1, 2008, for a maximum of 150 days; amended at 32 Ill. Reg. 7761, effective May 5, 2008; amended at 32 Ill. Reg. 9972, effective June 27, 2008.

**Section 153.100 Reimbursement for Long Term Care Services**

- a) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140, 144 and 147 for reimbursement of long term care services, effective January 18, 1994, reimbursement rates for long term care facilities (SNF/ICF and ICF/MR) and day training providers will remain at the levels in effect on January 18, 1994, except as otherwise provided in this Section.
- b) Capital and support rates in effect on January 18, 1994, will be adjusted based on final audits of cost report data in accordance with 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140.582(b) and 140.590.
- c) Capital rates will be increased for major capital improvements in accordance with 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140.560(c) and (e).
- d) New facilities which are assigned median rates in accordance with 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140.560(b) will have rates recalculated based upon receipt of their first cost report and 89 Ill. Adm. Code 147.150.
- e) Requests for IOCs upon which rate determinations are based upon a Medicaid resident being transferred from a State operated facility for persons with developmental disabilities to a community setting will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- f) Fiscal year 1996 support rates may change based on the first cost report filed by new ownership reflecting six months or more of the new ownership's operation for any facility which changed ownership between July 1, 1992, and January 18, 1994. Only changes in ownership in arms-length transactions between unrelated parties will be recognized for this rate change. The new support rate for those facilities will be calculated in accordance with 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140.560 and 140.561. Support rates for facilities which qualify under this exception will not be decreased by the provisions in this Section. The capital rates of facilities which changed ownership between July 1, 1992, and January 18, 1994, will not be subject to changes in the capital rate based on the provisions of 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140.571(b)(4), but can still be affected by the provisions of subsection (d) of this Section.
- g) For those for-profit facilities whose fiscal year 1994 capital rate does not include a real estate tax component because it is based upon a non-profit facility's cost report, effective July 1, 1995, the real estate tax component will be added to the capital rate based upon the fiscal year 1994 median real estate tax rate for the geographic area in which the home is located.

- h) If a non-profit facility changes ownership on or after July 1, 1995, and the new owner is a for-profit facility, the real estate tax component will be added to the capital rate effective with the change of ownership as recognized by the Illinois Department of Public Health. The real estate tax component will be added at the geographic area median tax rate in effect for the month in which the real estate tax becomes effective.
- i) For those non-profit facilities whose fiscal year 1994 capital rate includes a real estate tax component based upon a for-profit facility's cost report, effective July 1, 1995, the real estate tax component of the capital rate will be removed (unless the non-profit facility rents the home from an unrelated for-profit entity).
- j) If a for-profit facility changes ownership on or after July 1, 1995, and the new owner is a non-profit facility, the real estate tax component will be removed from the capital rate effective with the date of change in ownership as recognized by the Illinois Department of Public Health. The real estate tax component will not be removed for a non-profit facility that rents the facility from an unrelated for-profit entity.
- k) The flat per diem paid to ICFs/MR to cover the cost of non-emergency dental services pursuant to 89 Ill. Adm. Code 144.275 and 144.300 will be increased from \$.30 to \$.40.
- l) Day training provider rates shall be increased by three percent for services provided on or after July 1, 1996.
- m) Effective for services provided on or after July 1, 1996, facilities which are located in an area which has changed geographic designation due to unique labor force factors shall have rates recalculated based upon the ceilings and norms of the newly designated geographic area.
- n) Long term care facilities that have been assigned a median tax rate on the basis of geographic area in accordance with 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140.560(b) and subsections (m) and (n) of this Section shall subsequently have those rates recalculated based upon the first full tax bill received by that facility. The revised rate will be the greater of the recalculated rate or the rate in effect from the aforementioned Section and subsections. Rates revised in accordance with this subsection shall result in payments retroactive to July 1, 1997, for those facilities whose first full tax bill is received by the Department no later than September 30, 1998. Rates for facilities whose first full tax bill is received after September 30, 1998, will be effective on the date the Department receives the first full tax bill. In order to calculate the potential tax rate, the real estate tax from the first full tax bill for the long term care property will be divided by the greater of the annualized capital

days (see 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140.570(b)(3)) from the cost report used to calculate the remainder of the capital rate in accordance with 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140.570 through 140.574, or 93 percent of annualized bed days based upon the number of licensed beds available at the end of the period covered by the tax bill. No inflation factor will be used for this calculation.

- o) Interim IOC's may be conducted in an ICF/MR, at the facility's written request, if there has been a change in the resident population of at least 25 percent since the last IOC used to set the rate. A facility is limited to one request in any 12 month period. The rate effective date will be the first day of the month following the month of the facility's written request. The written request must contain documentation supporting the change in the resident population.
- p) Interim IOC's may be conducted for developmental training services when the population of an ICF/MR changes by at least 25 percent since the last IOC used to set the rate. The ICF/MR is limited to one request in any 12 month period. The rate effective date will be the first day of the month following the month of the facility's written request. Documentation must be submitted supporting the change in the resident population.
- q) Rates shall be adjusted for an ICF/MR entering into a downsizing agreement with the Department of Human Services, under the provisions of 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140.560, with the rate effective on the date a benchmark for such downsizing is achieved.
- r) For an ICF/MR with 16 or fewer licensed beds, rate changes shall be made in the program active treatment rate component to reflect an increase of 13 hours of base nursing and nurse supervision for administration of medication by unlicensed direct service staff, effective for services provided on or after January 1, 2000.
- s) The nursing component of a nursing facility's per diem shall be adjusted in accordance with 89 Ill. Adm. Code 147.150.
- t) Effective for any capital rates calculated with an effective date of July 1, 2006 or later, the capital rates shall be adjusted based upon audits of cost report data in accordance with the updates and clarifications contained in 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140.534 and 140.560.

(Source: Amended at 30 Ill. Reg. 14315, effective August 18, 2006)

**Section 153.125 Long Term Care Facility Rate Adjustments**

- a) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, long term care facility (SNF/ICF and ICF/MR) rates established on July 1, 1996 shall be increased by 6.8 percent for services provided on or after January 1, 1997.
- b) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, long term care facility (SNF/ICF and ICF/MR) rates and developmental training rates established on July 1, 1998, for services provided on or after that date, shall be increased by three percent. For nursing facilities (SNF/ICF) only, \$1.10 shall also be added to the nursing component of the rate.
- c) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, long term care facility (SNF/ICF and ICF/MR) rates and developmental training rates established on July 1, 1999, for services provided on or after that date, shall include:
  - 1) an increase of 1.6 percent for SNF/ICF, ICF/MR and developmental training rates;
  - 2) an additional increase of \$3.00 per resident day for ICF/MR rates; and
  - 3) an increase of \$10.02 per person, per month for developmental training rates.
- d) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, SNF/ICF rates shall be increased by \$4.00 per resident day for services provided on or after October 1, 1999.
- e) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, SNF/ICF, ICF/MR and developmental training rates shall be increased 2.5 percent per resident day for services provided on or after July 1, 2000.
- f) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, nursing facility (SNF/ICF) rates effective on July 1, 2001 shall be computed using the most recent cost reports on file with the Department no later than April 1, 2000, updated for inflation to January 1, 2001.
  - 1) The Uniform Building Value shall be as defined in 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140.570(b)(10), except that, as of July 1, 2001, the definition of current year is the year 2000.
  - 2) The real estate tax bill that was due to be paid in 1999 by the nursing facility shall be used in determination of the capital component of the rate.

The real estate tax component shall be removed from the capital rate if the facility's status changes so as to be exempt from assessment to pay real estate taxes.

- 3) For rates effective July 1, 2001 only, rates shall be the greater of the rate computed for July 1, 2001 or the rate effective on June 30, 2001.
- 4) All accounting records and other documentation necessary to support the costs and other information reported on the cost report to be used in accordance with rate setting under Section 153.125(f) shall be kept for a minimum of two years after the Department's final payment using rates that were based in part on that cost report.
- g) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, intermediate care facilities for persons with developmental disabilities (ICF/MR), including skilled nursing facilities for persons under 22 years of age (SNF/Ped), shall receive an increase in rates for residential services equal to a statewide average of 7.85 percent. Residential rates taking effect March 1, 2001, for services provided on or after that date, shall include an increase of 11.01 percent to the residential program rate component and an increase of 3.33 percent to the residential support rate component, each of which shall be adjusted by the geographical area adjuster, as defined by the Department of Human Services (DHS).
- h) For developmental training services provided on or after March 1, 2001, for residents of long term care facilities, rates shall include an increase of 9.05 percent and rates shall be adjusted by the geographical area adjuster, as defined by DHS.
- i) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, daily rates for intermediate care facilities for persons with developmental disabilities (ICF/MR), including skilled long term care facilities for persons under 22 years of age (SNF/Ped), shall be increased by 2.247 percent for services provided during the period beginning on April 11, 2002, and ending on June 30, 2002.
- j) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, daily rates effective on July 1, 2002, for intermediate care facilities for persons with developmental disabilities (ICF/MR), including skilled long term care facilities for persons under 22 years of age (SNF/Ped), shall be reduced to the level of the rates in effect on April 10, 2002.
- k) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, nursing facility (SNF/ICF) rates effective on July 1, 2002 will be 5.9 percent less than the rates in effect on June 30, 2002.

- l) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, daily rates effective on July 1, 2003, for intermediate care facilities for persons with developmental disabilities (ICF/MR), including skilled long term care facilities for persons under 22 years of age (SNF/Ped), shall be increased by 3.59 percent.
- m) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, developmental training rates effective on July 1, 2003 shall be increased by 4 percent.
- n) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, pending the approvals described in this subsection (n), nursing facility (SNF/ICF) rates effective July 1, 2004 shall be 3.0 percent greater than the rates in effect on June 30, 2004. The increase is contingent on approval of both the payment methodologies required under Article 5A-12 of the Public Aid Code [305 ILCS 5/5A-12] and the waiver granted under 42 CFR 433.68.
- o) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, the "Original Building Base Cost" for nursing facilities (SNF/ICF) which have been rented continuously from an unrelated party since prior to January 1, 1978, effective on July 1, 2004, shall be added to the capital rate calculation using the most recent cost reports on file with the Department no later than June 30, 2004. The "Original Building Base Cost" as defined in 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140.570 shall be calculated from the original lease information that is presently on file with the Department. This original lease information will be used to capitalize the oldest available lease payment from the unrelated party lease that has been in effect since prior to January 1, 1978, and continued to be in effect on December 31, 1999. Before the lease payment is capitalized, a 15 percent portion will be removed from the oldest available lease payment for movable equipment costs. After the lease payment is capitalized, a portion of the capitalized amount will be removed for land cost. The land cost portion is 4.88 percent. The remaining amount will be the facility's building cost. The construction/acquisition year for the building will be the date the pre-1978 lease began. The allowable cost of subsequent improvements to the building will be included in the original building base cost. The original building base cost will not change due to sales or leases of the facility after January 1, 1978.
- p) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, nursing facility (SNF/ICF) rates effective on January 1, 2005 will be 3.0 percent more than the rates in effect on December 31, 2004.
- q) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, nursing facility (SNF/ICF) rates shall be increased by the difference between a facility's per diem property, liability and malpractice insurance costs as reported in the cost report



that was filed with the Department and used to establish rates effective July 1, 2001, and those same costs as reported in the facility's 2002 cost report. These costs shall be passed through to the facility without caps or limitations.

- r) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, daily rates effective on January 1, 2006 for intermediate care facilities for persons with developmental disabilities (ICF/MR), including skilled long term care facilities for persons under 22 years of age (SNF/Ped), shall be increased by 3 percent.
- s) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, developmental training rates for intermediate care facilities for persons with developmental disabilities (ICF/MR), including skilled long term care facilities for persons under 22 years of age (SNF/Ped), effective on January 1, 2006 shall be increased by 3 percent.
- t) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, for facilities that are federally defined as Institutions for Mental Disease (see Section 145.30), a socio-development component rate equal to 6.6% of the nursing component rate as of January 1, 2006 shall be established and paid effective July 1, 2006. This rate shall become a part of the facility's nursing component of the Medicaid rate. While this rate may be adjusted by the Department, the rate shall not be reduced.
- u) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, for facilities licensed by the Department of Public Health under the Nursing Home Care Act as skilled nursing facilities or intermediate care facilities, the support component of the rates taking effect on January 1, 2008 shall be computed using the most recent cost reports on file with the Department of Healthcare and Family Services no later than April 1, 2005, updated for inflation to January 1, 2006.
  - 1) Support rates taking effect on January 1, 2008 shall be adjusted based on audits of cost report data in accordance with 89 Ill. Adm. Code 140.582(b) and 140.590. The audited cost report data will be used to retroactively update the resulting support rate effective January 1, 2008, after the 45-day appeal period from Section 140.582(b) has passed.
  - 2) All accounting records and other documentation necessary to support the costs and other information reported on the cost report to be used in accordance with rate setting under this subsection (u) shall be kept for a minimum of two years after the Department's final payment using rates that were based in part on that cost report.

(Source: Amended at 32 Ill. Reg. 7761, effective May 5, 2008)

**Section 153.126 Long Term Care Facility Medicaid Per Diem Adjustments**

- a) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, the socio-development component for facilities that are federally defined as Institutions for Mental Disease (see 89 Ill. Adm. Code 145.30) shall be increased by 253 percent beginning with services provided on and after March 1, 2008.
- b) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, daily residential rates effective on March 1, 2008, for intermediate care facilities for persons with developmental disabilities (ICF/DD), including skilled nursing facilities for persons under 22 years of age (SNF/Ped), for which a patient contribution is required, shall be increased by 2.2 percent.
- c) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 153.100, developmental training rates effective on March 1, 2008 shall be increased by 2.5 percent.

(Source: Added at 32 Ill. Reg. 9972, effective June 27, 2008)